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Mr. Corbin R. Davis
Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court
P.O. Box 30052
Lansing, Mi. 48909

Re: **ADM 2004-42 / MCR 8.110**

Dear Mr. Davis;

I am writing on behalf of the **M**ichigan **C**ourt **A**dministrators **A**ssociation which represents Court Administration throughout the state. The proposed amendment for *MCR 8.110* would require courts to report state and local misdemeanor cases that have been delayed 91 days as opposed to our current 180 day delay reporting from the arraignment to adjudication.

Courts are already submitting a 180 day monthly report to the State Court Administrators Office for review. It is our understanding this is an exception report. If the cases are properly managed, they will not need to be reported. Majority of the courts have an internal way of tracking these cases prior to reporting them. Besides, with the new *Time Guidelines*, it puts more responsibility on the court to handle cases in a timely manner.

It also appears to the association that this proposed court rule does not take into account that caseloads can vary throughout the state. How is this fair to a court that may hold court only once or twice a month to the same standards where court is held Monday through Friday? What financial hardship would be placed on the State as well as the local funding unit?

Therefore, the **M**ichigan **C**ourt **A**dministrators **A**ssociation respectfully requests that the Honorable Court reject proposed court rule *MCR 8.110*. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or comments.

Respectfully submitted,

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